

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.

Second Restriction Requirement

The claims of the instant application are subject to a second Restriction Requirement. In this second restriction requirement, the Examiner requests Applicant to choose a specific species and identify the claims encompassing the elected species.

Applicant elects terephthalic acid as the species and identifies claims 1-5 and 12-20 as encompassing the elected species.

Applicant further reserves the right to file divisional applications for any none elected inventions as provided in the Rules.

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, Applicant respectfully requests an early Notice of Allowance in this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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